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Dear Giles:

It is with great pleasure that I provide you with the following observations regarding the service provided to the NCAA Division I National Championship by Lynx and their service partner Flash Results. The relationship between Lynx and the NCAA Division I Championship Committee has definitely been extensive and absolutely satisfactory.

Lynx System Developers, as suppliers, and Flash Results, as operators, have satisfied the needs of the Games Committee in the areas of performance measurement for track and field events, performance display through on-field, video board, and direct television feeds, and complete data management for the Track and Field Championship. There have been proposals from other suppliers to perform these tasks during the past ten years, but they have been rejected each time, in favor of the current performance measurement and data processing team. The Committee has found no reason to look elsewhere since all of its requirements are being satisfied.

The Committee has been eager to advance, along with technology, to the most currently accepted methods of performance measurement and display. Lynx has been able to accommodate this desire by providing solutions using advanced techniques and devices. The addition of pressure sensitive starting blocks with individual audio amplification, laser measurement for long distance field events, personal digital assistant performance mark recording devices with wireless transfer of data from all field event sites, multiple sided on-field display boards activated directly from the PDA devices, and the distribution of final results through a wireless link localized to the stadium have all been welcome additions and enhanced the overall operation and presentation of the Championships.

It is my belief that the current arrangement to use Lynx and Flash Results as the vendors responsible to supply and perform all seldom appreciated, but essential, performance measurement and data processing needs will continue without interruption since the job is being well done, and continually improves with the advancements in technology.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "R. Podkaminer".

Robert Podkaminer
Secretary-Rules Editor
NCAA Track and Field